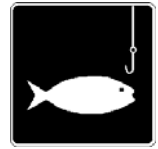


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FISHING

CHRISTOPHER CREEK

RANGER DISTRICT

Payson Ranger Station
1009 East Highway 260
Payson, Arizona 85541
Phone (928) 474-7900 Fax (928) 474-7999

RELATED OPPORTUNITIES

Camping, picnicking and water activities

SEASON OF USE

April-September

FACILITIES

Christopher Creek Campground: Drinking water, picnic tables, grills, 43 camp units, 6 picnic units and vault toilet.

LOCATION AND ACCESS

Creek Access Point #1: Travel 22 miles east of Payson on State Highway 260 (past Christopher Creek Campground) to Forest Road (FR) 284 and turn left. Follow FR 284 to its end; it is a short hike to the creek.

Creek Access Point#2: Christopher Creek Campground access. Travel 20 miles east of Payson on Highway 260 to the campground. The creek runs through this site.

INTRODUCED SPORT FISH PRESENT

Rainbow Trout (periodically stocked by Arizona Game and Fish Department).

ATTRACTIONS

•Try fishing below Christopher Creek Village and below Christopher Creek Campground.

CONSIDERATIONS

- Arizona Game and Fish regularly stocks "pan-sized" Rainbow Trout in mid-April - late July.
- Elevation is approximately 5800 feet.
- Christopher Creek Recreation Site has a seven (7) day stay-limit and a fee of \$12.00 a night.
- No trash service: **PACK IT IN, PACK IT OUT!!**
- Fishing is at its best in May and June, prior to hot weather.

NEAREST COMMERCIAL SERVICES

Christopher Creek Village: Food, gas and supplies

Payson: All services

RELATED INFORMATION SOURCES

- Visitors Guide to Mogollon Rim*, Southwest Natural & Cultural Heritage
- Arizona Mogollon Rim*, Arizona Highways

